## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Examiner: Mohammad Y. Meah

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For: LACTIC ACID PRODUCING YEAST CUSTOMER NO. 23720

## REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 7, 2007

Commissioner for Patents P O Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

JEFFERSON C. LIEVENSE

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of one month to and including July 7, 2007, in which to respond to the Office Action dated March 7, 2007.

The Director is authorized to deduct the fee for a one-month extension of time and any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/2027.631000RE.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAMS, MORGAN & AMERSON, P.C. CUSTOMER NO. 23720

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